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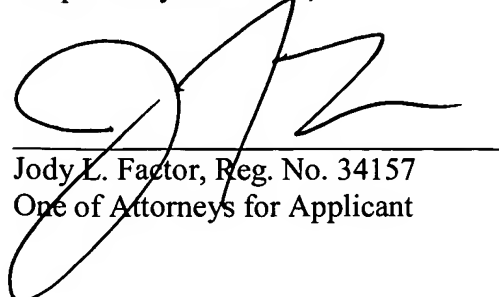
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| WO 03/047021 | June 5, 2003 | The invention concerns a lithium electrochemical generator comprising two peripheral electrodes, one positive and the other negative, including each an electrical conductive substrate (13, 21) and an active layer (14, 20) containing an active material, at least a bipolar electrode including a positive active layer (18) on a first electrical conductive substrate and a negative active layer (16) on a second electrical conductive substrate, said substrates being attached and two separators (15, 19) enclosing each bipolar electrode, wherein the electrical conductive substrates of each bipolar electrode are made of identical or different materials selected among aluminium and its alloys and the negative active material of the bipolar electrode inhibits formation of aluminium alloy with the electrical conductive substrates in operating conditions of the storage cell. |
| JP 05062712 | March 12, 1993 | A non-aqueous electrolyte secondary cell comprises a positive electrode mainly consisted of a rechargeable active material and a negative electrode in which an active material contains lithium. In this secondary cell, the theoretical volume ratio of the positive electrode to the negative electrode is set to range from 1:1 to 1:1.3. By within an exceedingly limited extent, the degradation of cell performance caused by such conducting agent and the negative electrode active material, etc., can be efficiently prevented, though the positive electrode being exhausted causing a discharge reaction over-discharged whereby a discharge reaction proceeds. |

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